## JEROME MUNICIPAL COURT

PO BOX 335 - 600 Clark Street

Jerome, Arizona 86331

Phone: 928-649-3250 Fax: 928-634-5462

Hours: Tue, Wed, Thu 8:30am – 4:00pm Website: Jerome Municipal Court Payments: jeromepayments.com

Effective 01/07/2016

# IMPORTANT READ THIS FIRST

You have received a traffic citation and this document will explain your options. Please read this document thoroughly. The Cited person MUST contact the court in person or, if eligible, complete the options below, and mail to the Court prior to the date and time indicated on your traffic complaint. This is NOT a "hearing date" Call the Court for clarification and for further information.

NOTE: If you are under 18 years of age you MUST appear in person at the Court with a parent.

In the VIOLATIONS BOX on your citation, the charge will be listed as either civil traffic, criminal traffic, criminal, or petty offense. If the charge is **criminal traffic or criminal**, **you MUST appear in court on your court date and time.** 

**NO phone calls** will be accepted on criminal charges. If the charge is listed as **civil traffic**, your options will be detailed within this document. You may choose one of four options.

Option 1 - Pay your Fine.

**Option 2 – Attend Defensive Driving School.** 

Option 3 – Request a Hearing

Option 4 – Request a Hearing in Absentia

# **Option 1 – A; PAY FINE ONLINE:**

You may pay your fine online. You **MUST have your citation** in front of you. Payment is pending Court approval. Payments made during non-business hours will be processed on the next court business day. Read your return email to confirm payment is complete. Pay by credit card online at **jeromepayments.com** or call **1-844-546-9371** (MasterCard, VISA, Discover, Amex)

NOTICE there is a 5% charge to use credit cards

### B; PAY FINE IN PERSON AT THE COURT:

You may appear at the Jerome Municipal Court in person. The Court is located at 600 Clark Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Jerome, Arizona. Court hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 8:30am-4:00pm, except holidays. Payments are accepted by cash, check, money order or credit card. **NOTE:** <u>MUST PROVIDE</u>

EXACT CHANGE.

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### C; PAY FINE BY MAIL:

Waive your right to a hearing, enter a plea of responsible and pay the fine. If paying by mail this form **must be received by the court** with your payment on or before your appearance date. We suggest allowing at least 5 days for mailed payment.

**READ AND SIGN** the following statement: I hereby waive my right to a hearing and enter a plea of responsible for the charges listed on the citation: **Signature** 

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#### Write the citation number below:

Enter the Charge(s) from your citation and fine amount on the citation or see fine schedule on the back page. Enter below.

NOTICE: If your court date has passed, add the \$70 Default Fee and the \$20 Time Payment Fee. Pay the Grand Total amount under the Fine Amount Column.

Do not send cash in the mail. THIS FORM MUST be returned to the court with payment.

		FINE AMOUNT	
Mandatory \$27 Court Enhancement Fee	\$	27.00	
Charge A	\$		
Charge B	\$		
Charge C	\$		
Charge D	\$		
Charge E	\$		
\$20 Time Payment Fee, if applicable	\$		
\$70 Default Fee, if applicable	\$		
GRAND TOTAL	\$		

**How to pay**:  $\Box$  Check,  $\Box$  Money Order, or  $\Box$  Cashier's Check made payable to Jerome Municipal Court

Place this form with your payment, along with a copy of your complaint in an envelope, stamp and **mail** to **Jerome Municipal Court**, **PO Box 335, Jerome, AZ 86331.** 

If you want a return receipt include a self-addressed and an appropriately stamped envelope.

# **D**; To Request Time Payments:

You MUST contact the court in writing via in person or mail. NO EXCEPTIONS, 1 week prior to your appearance date. There is a mandatory \$20.00 time payment fee. Failure to contact the court in writing on or before your appearance date will result in a default status and fee. NOTE: If you are under 18 years old you MUST appear in person at the Court with a parent. You may appear in person at the Court or download forms on the website and mail them to the Court PRIOR to your appearance date. Call the Court immediately for further Instructions.

ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DUE DATE. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN THE ISSUANCE OF A DEFAULT JUDGMENT (\$70.00 DEFAULT FEE and THE LATE FEE OF \$20.00), POSSIBLE DRIVER LICENSE SUSPENSION WITH ADDITIONAL MONETARY PENALTIES BEING IMPOSED.

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Be sure to **add the \$27.00 Court Fee** to the total fine amount of charges.

## **Option 2 – Attend Defensive Driving School (DDS)**

Call the Court immediately for an extension and approval. If your charge and you are eligible and choose to attend a defensive driving school to remove points from your license, you must complete the class seven days prior to your appearance or extension date.

Violations **bolded and underlined** in the Fine Schedule on this form are eligible for Defensive Driving School only. Town Code violations are not eligible.

### **For More Information:**

http://www.azdrive.com

888-334-5565

## Option 3 - Request a Hearing

Call the Court at least 1 week prior to your appearance date for further instructions. Or visit the Jerome Municipal Court Website. You MUST post a bond equivalent to the total amount of your citation. The purpose of the hearing is to contest the charge(s), NOT to admit them and request a reduced fine.

If you are under 18 years of age you MUST contact Court prior to request. All appearances at the court the juvenile must be accompanied by parent or guardian.

## Option 4 - Request Hearing In Absentia IF YOU LIVE OUTSIDE THE STATE OF ARIZONA OR HAVE A SUBSTANTIAL

HARDSHIP which prevents you from physically attending a hearing AND you wish to plead not responsible for the violation(s), you may qualify for a Hearing in Absentia pursuant to Rule 10 Civil Traffic Rules. This will allow you to file a written declaration of the facts surrounding the violation rather than appear in person at a hearing. You MUST post a bond equivalent to the total amount of your citation. The written request for a Hearing in Absentia must be received prior to your appearance date. Telephonic proceedings are not an option at this time.

Call the Court for further instructions. Or visit the Jerome Municipal Court Website. The purpose of the hearing is to contest the charge(s), NOT to admit them and request a reduced fine.

### ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES (ARS) BOLDED eligible for DDS

28-448	\$120.00
<b>28-644</b>	\$178.00

28-701A FTC speed to avoid collision..\$180.00

### 28-701A, 28-702.04B, 28-701.01C

20-701A, 20-702.07D, 20	-701.01C	
without accident:		
1-10 mph over limit	\$130.00	
11-15 mph over limit	\$180.00	
16-20 mph over limit	\$280.00	
21-25 mph over limit	\$380.00	
26+ mph over limit	\$493.00	
<u>28-727</u>	\$180.00	
28-891	\$120.00	
28-907	\$127.00	
28-909	\$54.00	
28-955	\$218.00**	
28-2153A, B	\$127.00**	
28-2158C	\$127.00**	
28-2532	\$584.00**	
28-2266C	\$120.00	
28-3151	\$127.00**	
28-3169A	\$127.00	
28-3475	\$180.00	
28-4135see panel on Left		
28-4139	\$493.00	

<sup>\*\*</sup> May be a reduction with proof, call Court for further information. Contact the Court for all other charges not listed here.

**NO INSURANCE CITATIONS** ARS Sec. 28-4135 (a), (b) or (c) Effective 09-30-09

1st Conviction - \$955.00 fine, and 3 month suspension of driver's privilege, vehicle registration and plates 2nd Conviction - \$1,415.00 fine, and 6 month suspension of driver's privilege, vehicle registration and plates 3rd Conviction - \$1,875.00 fine, and 1 year suspension of driver's privilege, vehicle registration and plates

### **Town Code Violations**

Not Eligible For DDS (No MVD Points Assessed)

### **Section 10-1-13**

Noise	\$128.00
Excessive Noise	\$228.00

#### Section 12-1-2D

Speed 1-10	\$198.00
Speed 11-15	\$248.00
Speed 16-20	\$348.00
Oversize Truck	\$280.00
Passing / wrong way / stop sign	\$180.00

### Warnings

\*If you plead to or are found responsible for violating ARS§ 28-645.A3 (A) or ARS§28-647.1, State law requires completion of Traffic Survival School. This is different from Defensive Driving School. MVD administers the program and will provide notification to you regarding your required attendance.

Failure to appear, complete the defensive driving class or to respond to the court may result in the entry of a default judgment, and/or your driver license suspension, and additional monetary penalties.